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Structure Fire at 19 Lakehurst Avenue

The Salem Fire & EMS Department responded to a structure fire at 19 Lakehurst Avenue, Monday morning at 9:12 a.m. One occupant was at home at the time of the fire, and was able to escape with no injury. One dog, which had perished in the fire, was removed from the structure.

The first units arrived in approximately two minutes of receiving the call and found heavy smoke coming from the first floor of a two-story structure. Firefighters were able to bring the fire under control within 25 minutes of arrival. The fire originated in the first floor kitchen.

Approximately 18 personnel from the Salem Fire & EMS Department responded to the call with assistance from Salem Rescue Squad. The Roanoke County Fire & Rescue Department Company 9 (Ft. Lewis) provided an engine to stand by while Salem Fire & EMS crews were on the structure fire.

The structure sustained moderate to heavy damage from the fire the Salem Fire & EMS Department Fire Marshal's Office determined that the cause fire was accidental.

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